

Application Serial No. 09/478,977

Customer No.: 26021

Reply to Office Action of November 8, 2004

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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS:**

Applicants are grateful for the courtesy of the interview with Examiner Harris and Supervisor Siew. The claims have been amended according to the Examiner's suggestion provided during the interview to expedite allowance of the application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the full scope of the instant application in continuing applications. Applicants believe that the application, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6853 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,

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